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RICH HARVEST FROM AMERICAN TOURISTS WHO VISIT LONDON

Season Just Ending Was Record One in British Capital.

ABOUT \$7,500,000 SPENT

All Classes Benefited by the Gold-Bearing Invasion of Pleasure-Hunting Yankees.

LONDON, Sept. 7. This year's American season in London has been in every way a record one, and the hotels and shopkeepers have benefited enormously by the rush of visitors from the other side of the Atlantic.

Not so very many years ago the West End tradesmen took next to nothing during the months when society went out of town. Business was practically stagnant until the mansions in the West End pulled up the blinds and opened the shutters and society returned.

Today things are different. The peaceful invasion of American pleasure-seekers has endowed London with a second season. Everybody benefits by them, from the diamond merchant in Bond Street to the cabman plying for hire. London is recognized as the market place of the Americans, and London has been astute enough to cater especially for Americans during their season.

Everything is done to provide for them, as it were, a home from home. The restaurants have found out the virtue of ice water and soda fountain, and even the chemist contributes his quota to their comfort by stocking chewing gum. The result is satisfactory to all parties.

Harvest for Hotels.

Inquiries made yesterday among the tourist companies, hotels and steamship lines show that something like 60,000 Americans have visited London this year. Some remain for a brief few days, others dwell here for a longer period, but the hotels, large and small, and the boarding houses of Bloomsbury and Bayswater have been held by the invading Americans since March.

Between them these 60,000 Americans have spent about \$7,500,000, chiefly in London. This calculation is based on figures supplied by one of the largest hotels, which alone has housed 650 Americans since March, and the average hotel bill of each has been \$250. There are at least five hotels which can give similar figures, and if the average American spends \$125 in London we reach the total stated. Some, of course, spend next to nothing and live in boarding houses for \$10.50 a week, but others spend hundreds, or even thousands, of dollars on jewelry and dress.

Go where you will in London, at this period you will hear nothing but grateful recognition of American custom.

"Americans come to London for the specific purpose of buying," said a West End tailor yesterday. "Many of them come with half-empty trunks, and buy a complete outfit of socks, ties, collars, shirts, suits of clothes and hats. I have been kept busy with orders for lounge suits and frock coats at a time when business is at a standstill as far as my regular customers are concerned."

No Slack Season. "They will have flowers," said a florist. "I might shut up shop, for all the best London customers are out of town, but the American visitors keep things going. These roses that you see here," pointing to a magnificent bunch of pink roses, "are sold to a wealthy American customer. Roses are their favorite flower."

The American visitors have stayed off disaster from this year. The weather matters nothing to them. To come to London without seeing the river would be a wasted journey, and so, even though the visitors equip themselves with makintoshes and umbrellas for their river trip, the Thames boatmen reap the benefit.

The hotel and boarding houses get by far the largest share of the \$7,500,000 which American travelers leave behind them in London. Next come the antique dealers, for America is particularly keen on old china and Sheffield plate, and will pay almost any price for a fancied object. Then follow the tailors, the haberdashers, the hatters, the jewelers and the miscellaneous traders.

LIVED THIRTEEN YEARS WITHIN BATH TUB

Continually in Water of High Temperature Man Passed Away His Days.

BERLIN, Sept. 7. A stone mason named Ferdinand Schlimme died yesterday in the public hospital at Brunswick, having lived for nearly thirteen years in water.

In November, 1894, Schlimme, who was then 20 years old, fell from a tree, injuring his spine seriously; practically his backbone was broken and his spinal cord crushed. In consequence of these injuries the lower portion of his body was paralyzed and certain internal organs were prevented from performing their usual functions.

In order to save his life the physicians ordered him a permanent bath, in which he has since resided, his body supported on cleverly contrived rests. The water was kept at a temperature of 94 Fahrenheit, and immersed in the water Schlimme felt little or no pain. In a short time he was able to do basket and wire work and make cages, etc. He also bred canaries in large numbers, and displayed such ingenuity that articles he made were eagerly sought after and fetched high prices.

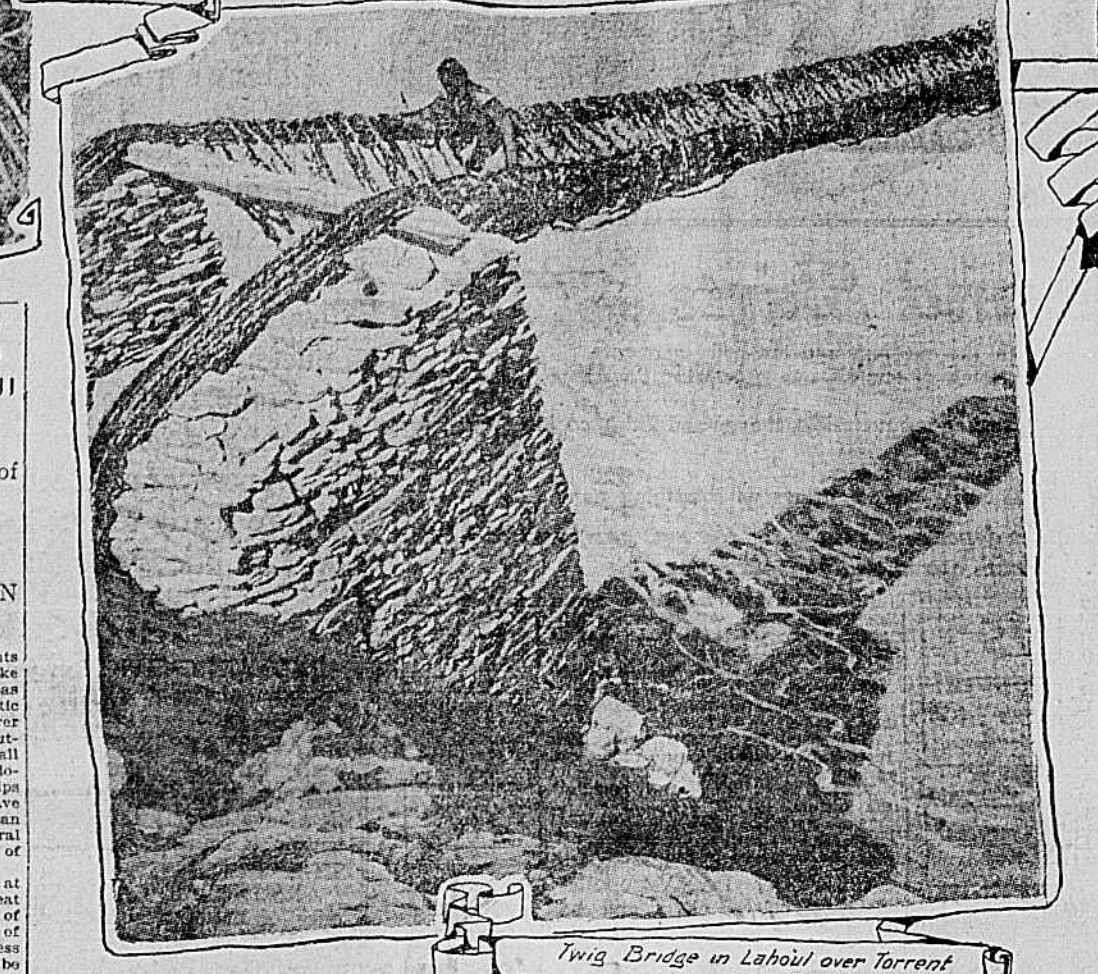
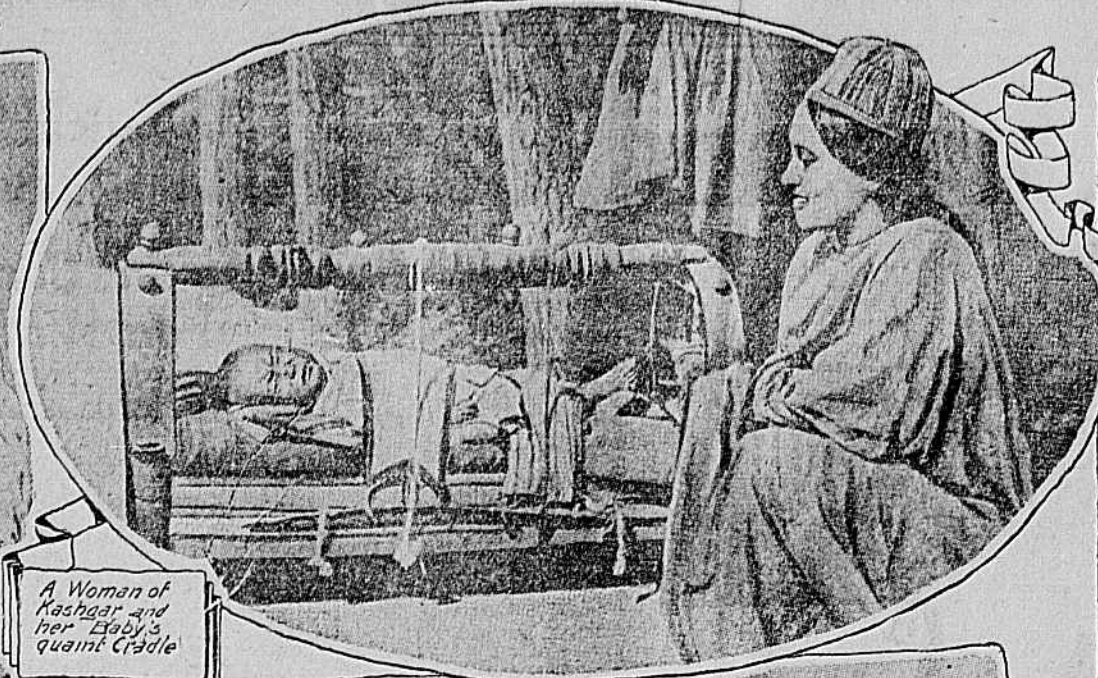
NEW TYPE OF DOG FOUND

Is About Size of Rat and Lives on Ground Vermin.

EDINBURGH, Sept. 7.—In the course of a lecture at Perth, Scotland, the official exploratory trip to the interior of West Australia, A. W. Canning announced the discovery of a new type of dog, about the size of a rat, and resembling a marsupial dingo. They were not, however, marsupials. These dogs apparently fed on lizards and ground vermin.

The party also found a small sand mole, about the size of a mouse. The creature burrowed very quickly in the sand, at the rate of about a foot a minute.

A Young Woman of Mehr



Twig Bridge in Lahoul over Torrent

AUSTRALIAN SERVANTS DEMAND "TIME OFF"

Object to be at Beck and Call of Mistresses Night and Day.

IN FORMIDABLE UNION

MELBOURNE, Sept. 7.

The combination of domestic servants and "lady helps" in New Zealand to take advantage of the local conciliation has grown in strength, and now the Domestic Workers' Union of Wellington is a power to be reckoned with. It is busy distributing circulars from house to house in all the principal towns calling upon all domestic servants, "generals" and lady helps to support the union. Applications have been made to the Arbitration Court for an award, and a conference between several leading employers and representatives of the servants has been held.

Little trouble has been experienced at the conference over wages. The great bone of contention has been the fixing of "time off" every day—not necessarily time to get out of the house, but free time. It is contended that a servant ought not to be at the beck and call of her mistress night and day.

INSULTED TH. KAISER

Man in Prison for Offense Committed Three Years Ago.

BERLIN, Sept. 7.—An extraordinary case of "leaves majestic" has been engaging the attention of one of the Berlin courts. A butcher named Krueger was indicted for insulting the kaiser in language used by him so long as three years ago. At the trial it was proved that Krueger was drunk when he used the words. He had no recollection of using them. He believed that he took part in some political discussion on the evening in question, but that is all he remembers.

Krueger, it seems, was informed against by a man who three years ago was his friend, and has since become his enemy. The court sentenced the prisoner to two months' imprisonment.

LOST FOR FOUR DAYS ON MOUNTAIN RANGE

With Leg Broken Man Could Not Move and Lived on Crusts and Water.

CARDIFF, Sept. 7. An Irishman named James Hurley is now undergoing treatment at the Pontypridd Workhouse Infirmary after a terrible mountain experience. Hurley has been engaged for some time on the tunnel which is being driven through a portion of Carn Noras mountain, above Treherbert, in connection with the water scheme of the Rhondda District Council.

On Saturday night he set out to walk down the mountain side to Blaenrhondda. He lost his way and stepped over a cliff and fell a distance of about thirty feet.

Here he lay unconscious for nearly twelve hours. When he recovered he discovered that his right leg was broken above the ankle and he could not move. The pain was intense. After an hour passed away without any one passing his way, and when darkness again set in on Sunday night he lay down, trusting that the morrow would bring him help. The rain that fell on Sunday night added to his trying ordeal.

Dawn broke, but still there was no sign of human beings. Hour after hour he lay in agony. Owing to his weakened condition, he was unable to eat the little dry food he possessed. During the prolonged vigil on Tuesday and Wednesday Hurley observed some pedestrians on the mountain path, but at too great a distance for Hurley to attract their attention.

Gradually gaining strength, the man made determined efforts to crawl along the mountain slopes to the tunnel, and the arduous task of dragging himself along was accomplished by Wednesday night, when, to his great joy, he found some of his comrades near the mouth of the tunnel. They attended to his immediate wants, and found him shelter in a hut until Thursday night, when he was removed to the infirmary.

SCENES IN ALMOST UNKNOWN LANDS VISITED BY DAVID FRASER

PERILOUS JOURNEY IN MOUNTAINS AND GLENS OF "DARKEST ASIA"

David Fraser, Who Represented the London Times in Manchuria During Russo-Japanese War, Makes Record Trip in Almost Inaccessible Lands and is Back to Civilization Again

LONDON, Sept. 7.

DAVID FRASER, who represented the Times during the war in Manchuria, left General Nogi's army at the declaration of peace in 1905, since when he has been traveling in Korea, China, India, Tibet, Chinese Turkestan, Russian Turkestan and Persia. He has returned home, and will shortly publish a book describing his journey, which has taken him over long distances amid the wildest and most inhospitable of regions. It is noteworthy that Fraser in the course of his journey crossed the Himalayas (thrice), Karakorum, Kuen Lun, Alai and many other ranges, during which he saw most of the highest mountains in the world from Everest downward. In Tibet, in company with a British officer, he traversed country hitherto untrodden by Europeans and narrowly escaped with his life when endeavoring to return to India through a high pass blocked with snow.

"The little hill country of Sikkim," said Mr. Fraser yesterday, describing his adventurous journey in Asia, "is probably one of the most marvelous regions in the world, presenting as it does in close proximity the rich luxuriance of tropical vegetation and the wintry solitudes of everlasting snow. Marching along the slopes of one of its exquisite valleys at a height of 5000 feet above sea level, we came to one point where we were able to look over a precipice that sank almost straight down for 2000 feet to the bed of the Teesta river itself, here no more than 1500 feet above the sea."

MISER FOUND DEAD WITH WEALTH GALORE

LONDON, Sept. 7.—George Keymer, an old man, who was formerly a gold miner in Australia, has been found dead in a little cottage which he occupied at Ipswich, and a hoard of more than \$7000 has been discovered.

The cottage was very scantily furnished, having only a bed and a few boxes in it. Keymer lived alone, doing all his own cooking, and even washing his own clothes.

He had been ill for some time, and, recently, when he was visited by some acquaintances, he was only able to say: "Bag, bag—carpet bag." After his death a search was made, and a carpet bag containing gold, notes and a bank deposit note, to the total value of \$7000, was found.

A clergyman took possession of the money and deposited it in the bank, where it is awaiting claimants. The old man is said to have lived very poorly for some time and to have been in perpetual dread of being poisoned.

Fatal Cat Scratch.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—It was stated at the inquest at the East London Coroner's Court yesterday on Ifton Edward Anger, 3 years old, of Midland street, Ratcliff, that death was due to a cat scratch received six weeks ago.

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DESERTER LEAPS FROM EXPRESS TRAIN

LONDON, Sept. 7.—A deserter plunged from an express train which was running along the Berkshire coast near Cooksburn early yesterday morning and escaped.

He was being taken by an escort of the King's Royal Rifles from Kirkcaldy to Aldershot, and asked to go into an adjoining compartment, whether he was accompanied by one of the escort. The train at the moment was slowing down on a bank and the deserter made a dash along the corridor and leaped from a window.

The woods and by-ways were scoured during yesterday and the roads for twenty miles round were searched by cyclists, but at a late hour last night no trace of the fugitive had been discovered.

Cow as Ostrich.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—A woman's hatpin and a hairpin were found as the result of a post-mortem examination on a cow at Lynhurst (Hants). A piece of wire had also penetrated the animal's heart.

A Young Girl of Leh



FRENCH ENGINEER LOSES HIS TRAIN

Amusing Incident Occurs to the Paris Express on the Western Railway.

PASSENGERS FURIOUS

PARIS, Sept. 7.

An amusing incident occurred on the Western Railway at Lorient this morning. The Paris express stopped at this station to drop a postoffice van, which is shunted on to a siding to be attached to the local train for Rennes. This had been done as usual, but before the rest of the train could be joined up again the driver thought he heard the signal to start, and went off with nothing but two first-class carriages attached to his engine. The whistles of the station officials and the yells of the disappointed passengers left behind had no effect.

Half an hour later the engine steamed into Quimper. The stationmaster, who had been advised by telegraph, planted himself in front of the engine, and, with difficulty controlling his features, asked the driver where his train was. "My train, why, it's here, of course!" was the reply. "Here or elsewhere? You must have lost it on your way," retorted the stationmaster.

When the driver got down and saw what a light load he had been pulling he was naturally dumfounded.

STRIKE RIOTS IN ITALY

Hospital at Parma Filled With Wounded Victims.

MILAN, Sept. 7.—Parma is the scene of savage rioting arising from the strike of electricians. The local hospital is filled with wounded civilians and carabinieri, who were stoned or shot in the fray. Signor Molossi, sub-editor of the Parma Gazzetta, while on his professional duty was shot dead by musketry fire. His corpse was found pierced by no fewer than thirteen bullets.

The painful frequency of this sort of slaughter in Italy during the last few weeks has given occasion to indignant protests in the Italian press against the light esteem for human life on the part of the military police.

SHE LIVED ON GRASS FOR TWENTY DAYS

Terrible Experiences of Woman Who Fell Into Alpine Crevice and Was Prisoner There.

GENEVA, Sept. 7. An almost incredible story of human endurance, of resistance to cold and privation comes from Loèche.

A Swiss woman who was staying at Loèche Hotel went alone to visit the gorges of Dala, whose precipices have an altitude of some 4000 feet, on the 19th of last month. As she did not return, search parties were sent out. These proving unsuccessful, a large reward was offered for her recovery, but it was not until yesterday that she was found.

It appears that the unfortunate woman fell down a crevasse. She escaped injury, but was effectively imprisoned in the chasm. There she remained for twenty days, living on grass and water.

When found she was in a semi-starved condition and raving like a maniac, her privations and the terror of her situation having destroyed her reason. She was taken to the hospital at Loèche, where she lies in a critical condition.

Her relatives have arrived at Loèche. Three tourists who ventured to climb the Matterhorn unaccompanied by guides have had a terrible experience, one of them dying from exposure.

The three men, whose names are Heinrich Spoerli, Dr. Robert Hebling and Karl Imfeld, an engineer of Zurich, started on Wednesday to make the ascent, notwithstanding the very unfavorable state of the weather. After leaving the Col du Son, where they had camped, they were surprised by a violent storm above the Plo Tyndall. They were obliged to pass the night at a spot an hour's journey below the summit.

Owing to the severe cold or the effects of lightning Spoerli died at 3 o'clock on Thursday afternoon. Hebling and Imfeld pressed forward, a return to the Italian side having become impossible. After intense suffering they arrived yesterday evening at Zermatt, having passed the second night near the shoulder of the Matterhorn.

IMPRISONED IN CABIN OF SINKING SHIP

Mate of Steam Trawler in Terrible Position, With Death Looming Nigh.

FIGHT FOR DEAR LIFE

Ebb of Tide Brings a Remarkable Release When All Hope of Rescue Fled.

LONDON, Sept. 7.

Harry Willey, the mate of the ill-fated Hull steam trawler Quail, sunk in the Humber after being run into by the Wilson liner Dynamo, was sufficiently recovered from the effects of his exciting fight for life in the cabin of the sunken ship to be discharged from Hull Royal Infirmary yesterday.

Under careful nursing he speedily recovered and, although still weak from severe shock, he bears himself quite modestly, and as is characteristic of most of his class, he looks upon his thrilling experience in the most matter-of-fact fashion.

"I had turned in about three-quarters of an hour," he said yesterday, "when I was awakened by a violent concussion, which made the vessel tremble from end to end. Before I had scarcely time to realize what was happening I saw water rushing into the cabin from all sides."

Found Cabin Door Closed.

"My comrades had fled, and I tumbled out of my berth and made for the cabin door as quickly as my legs would carry me. The weight of the water, however, kept it closed. I pulled at it desperately, but I could not move it, and in a very few moments the water had reached my waist, and I got on the cabin table to see if there was any possibility of escaping from my prison by way of the skylight."

"The water still continued to come in from the sides of the ship, and to save myself from drowning I had to keep standing on the cabin table, but even there I was compelled to stand as erect as possible on my toes. So as to keep the water from getting into my mouth my head was in the skylight top, where I had only a chance of a mouthful of air."

"Several of my mates, thinking, perhaps, some of us remained inside, tried to break through the iron bars of the skylight, although I could not signal to them through the thick glass. I could feel the vibration of every blow they struck. Then their hammering ceased. They had given up, and either left the ship to save themselves or came to the conclusion that, with the cabin full of water, those that remained were already drowned."

A Horrible Moment.

"It was a horrible moment when their hammering ceased and I was left there alone."

"I had nearly given up altogether, and once I slipped from my foothold, but was fortunately borne again to the surface, where I caught hold of the projecting ledge of the framework. I had on it for some time like grim death, wondering and watching for what was to happen next. I thought I should never see land again. My heart sank within me, and I was beginning to despair, when I noticed the water began to ebb. We had apparently sunk in shallow water. Down and down it went, and every inch my hopes grew stronger. I was chilled to the bone, but I held on, and presently was able to again reach the cabin door."

"By degrees I pulled it inward—one inch—then two—and then three—until it came open wide, and the water rushing out carried me with it in safety to the upper deck."

"The force of the water was so great that my feet never once touched the steps of the companion way."

"The vessel was deserted, but I could see the Wilson liner nearby, and presently I saw a boat and sent a boat to fetch me, and with my comrades, who had given me up for lost, I was taken back to Hull."

More than an hour elapsed during Willey's exciting adventure.

The cabin is, as usual with all steam trawlers, in the middle of the ship, with the stern placed on either side, and it is lighted from above with an iron skylight, which proved Willey's salvation. The Dynamo crashed into the Quail's cabin on the starboard side, and caused a great crush of water, which eventually closed the door and held Willey a prisoner.

OLD BATTLESHIP TO BE SUNK WITH GUNS

The Hero of the British Navy Will End Her Days as a Target.

PLYMOUTH, Sept. 7. The old twin-screw armored battleship Hero arrived yesterday at Portsmouth, thus completing what will probably be her last voyage. She was towed from the Kyles of Bute by the battleship Hannibal.

The Hero is to be used in a series of important experiments to ascertain the effect of modern armor-piercing shells fired under various conditions. Her side will be heavily armored, and she will be used as a target by the fleet.

She will probably go to her doom under her own steam. At any rate, her obsolete armor, engines, and boilers will remain intact.

The Hero has a displacement of 8300 tons, with an indicated horsepower of 4600 under natural draught, and 6000 under forced draught. She was built at Chatham, and launched in 1888. Her armament consists of two 12-inch guns, four 6-inch guns, seven 6-pounders, and smaller guns. She was tender to the gunnery school at Portsmouth for several years, but was relieved and condemned to the scrap heap about eighteen months ago.

8000 PRISONERS RELEASED

King of Roumania Grants Amnesty to Participants in Revolt.

BUCHAREST, Sept. 7.—The king has granted an amnesty to all persons condemned, or arrested, as a matter of precaution, for political crimes, or for being implicated as instigators or leaders of the recent revolt.

The amnesty does not include some 200 priests and officers, nor the persons sentenced for murders during the revolt. All the prisoners, who number about 800, will be released at once. The power was received with enthusiasm everywhere, cries of "Long live the king" being raised.